

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Past actions by Sinclair have demonstrated its partisan stance and unethical and illegal broadcast choices. Such violations should not go unchallenged by the commission charged with enforcing broadcast rules.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.